

The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Friday, December 12, 1729.

From the Whitehall Evening-Post, Dec. 4.

Leghorn, Nov. 19.

OUR Advices from Florence say, That 1000 German Soldiers have pass'd the State, for the Garison of Porto Ercole, tho' some are of opinion they are designed to stay in this Dukedom.

Amsterdam, Dec. 9. Yesterday at Noon the *Union*, M. Jelles Master, bound from Hamburg to the Mediterranean, was cast away at Calenfoog; the Master and Mate drowned, but the Men got ashore on the Wreck. Several other Vessels have been cast away on the Coast.

London, Decem. 4. The *John* of Waterford, G. Cotton, from Chester to Waterford, was cast away on the 11th Inst. in Pembroke-shire, and left to the Mercy of the Inhabitants.

The *John and Mary*, Charles Pellew, was lost the End of last Week near to the Needles, on the West Side of the Isle of Wight, and all her Crew drown'd.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Decem. 6.

Since our last arrived a Mail from France.

BY which we are informed that Colonel Stanhope, first Plenipotentiary of Great Britain, returned to Paris from Seville the 2d Instant, N. S. and that the King of Spain made him a Present of a gold Snuff-box, enriched with Diamonds, with his said Majesty's Picture.

The same Day was held a general Court of the S. S. Company; when the Sub-governor acquainted them, That their Court of Directors had prepared an Address to his Majesty, to thank him for the Care he had taken of the Interest of the Company, and of the British Property and Commerce, in the Treaty concluded with his Catholick Majesty; Which being twice read, was unanimously agreed to. As to the other Affair for which this Court was called, viz. To receive a Report from the Trustees of the Estates of the late Directors, and to appoint Persons to whom they should resign their Trusts: Much Time was spent in debating there-

upon: Some were for vesting in it Persons belonging to the Company of Character and Fortune, instead of the Court of Directors. To which the Sub-governor said, That without Confusion to the Company's Affairs, he should be willing to agree with the Proposal; but there were large Effects, &c. not cash'd, and a great deal that still remained to be done. However, the Trustees, for their Parts, were ready to lay all the Effects they were possess'd of belonging to the Company upon the Table; and that they might dispose of them as they thought fit. At last it was upon the Question determined, That the Trust should be vested in the Court of Directors.

The general Account was presented, and read, of what remained in the Hands of the former Trustees, from the Sale of the late Directors Estates; the Amount whereof is, 2,357,000 l. exclusive of 50,000 l. recovered by Law, against Mr. Ward and Sir John Blunt.

Several Complaints were made by Hopkins, &c. against private Trade, carried on by means of the Company's Ships and Servants, to the great Detriment of the Proprietors; and amongst the rest, instanced that 140,000 Pieces of Eight had been given to the King of Spain's Officers. In answer to which, the Sub-governor and others in the Direction said it was not a proper Time to enter upon a Discussion of Affairs of this Nature, for that they had no News as yet, whether the Spaniards had delivered up the Prince Frederick; That as to what was objected against private Traders, they would endeavour to put an effectual Stop thereto: And as to the Losses of the Company in their lawful Trade, there was no Foundation for that popular Objection, nor has there been any Diminution of the Capital since they had the Direction of the Company's Affairs.

We have more Accounts from the Country of great Damage done by Inundations; particularly, that at Lowen near Coventry, 22 Men and Women were drowned, besides Dragoon-horses that were



were tied in the Stable; and also two of the Dragoons which went to save them.

By a Ship from Copenhagen, we have dreadful Accounts of a subterraneous Fire in the Mountainous Parts of Iceland, about Zwavelberg; whereby not only Cattle, but Churches and Houses were destroyed: And as the Earth there is compounded of Brimstone and Salt-petre, they knew not when or where the Conflagration would end.

From the Evening Post, Decem. 6.

Vienna, Nov. 26. The Prince of St. Peter is arrived here from Sicily, to give the Emperor some Account of several important Affairs relating to that Kingdom, where new Cabals are forming. It is assured that the Count de Castajo, Viceroy of it, will be recalled.

Frankfort, Decem. 4. Officers are arrived here to raise Men for the Emperor's Service. We have Advice that the Landgrave of Hesse-Cassel is again fallen ill.

Paris, Decem. 10. Of 980 Criminals in Paris and Versailles, who petitioned for the Act of Grace on account of the Dauphin's Birth, 830 have received their Pardons; but the rest, whose Cases were unpardonable, are retained.

London, Decem. 6. Letters from Padstow in Cornwall advise, that the *William* of Dumfries, James Paton, was cast away there the 17th past, on a Sand Bank; and that they were then in Danger of their Lives, for the Inhabitants seeing this Prize, sailed out in great Numbers to plunder her: But the Captain, being well provided with Fire-arms, with uncommon Bravery, discharged among the Rabble, till they dispersed; but was still in Danger of being overpowered, and in Fear of losing his Ship.

From the Daily Post Boy, Decem. 6.

Hague, Decem. 9. The Talk of the Investiture of the Dutchies of Bremen and Vherden in favour of the House of Hanover, and of Part of Pomerania, in favour of that of Brandenburg, is almost dropt: Not that the Emperor's Inclinations to grant the latter is to be call'd in question, could he grant the one without the other with a good Grace. So firmly has his Prussian Majesty rivetted his Interests at the Court of Vienna, which he is yet about to strengthen more and more.

Nothing can be more certain, than that the Imperial Court expects a War, and that it will break out on the Side of Italy. Hence their repeated Or-

ders for hastening their Recruits in all the Hereditary Countries, and more especially the Payment of the Subsidies for the ensuing Year; secret Intimation having been every where given to the Estates, That the Subsidies hitherto paid by the King of Spain will not only cease, but that his Imperial Majesty has no great Reason to expect so much as the Arrears.

There is no Room to doubt of another Interview betwixt the Kings of Poland and Prussia about Carnival Tide, when King Augustus is to make the general Review of his Forces, and his Prussian Majesty is to be present at the same. We may then perhaps hear when the Armies of these two Potentates will take the Field, to enter upon Action, and put in Execution the Design they have been so long meditating.

The States of Holland are to meet here shortly. The principal Subject of their Deliberations will be the Treaty concluded at Seville. They are moreover to regulate the Funds for the Year ensuing; and the landed Gentlemen are apprehensive there will be an additional Duty laid upon their Estates, which will sink the Value of them, already in their Opinion low enough. Lastly, they are to consider of the War for the Year ensuing, and the ordinary and extraordinary Expence thereof.

The Elector Palatine's Strength visibly decays, so that it is feared he cannot live long; and in case of his Death, we shall infallibly hear of a War in the Circle of the Electorate Palatine about the Succession to the Dutchies of Bergues and Juliers.

The Conferences at Brunswick go but very heavily on.

Madrid, Nov. 29. The late Duke of Wharton, upon his Arrival in Spain, went to his Regiment in Old Castile, called *Hibernia*, to which he is Colonel Aggregate; and resides at his Quarters in a sober, regular, and military way. His Pay is 18 Spanish Pistoles a Month. As soon as the Queen is recovered of her Lying in, the Court will return to this City.

Rome, Nov. 16. The Chevalier de St. George is in perfect Health; as is the Princess Clementine his Consort, but it is said she is not with Child, as has been given out. The Chevalier's two Sons have as much Vivacity, quickness of Apprehension, and Judgment, as their tender Years are capable of. The eldest will be strong of Body, to all Appearance, and active at all his Exercises. He rides and shoots

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shoots well; and the other Day he shot several small Birds flying. 'Be pleased to rectify some Mistakes in the Paragraphs of News from this City, dated September, 3. and published in the English Papers: First, That the Person who attacked one of the Chevalier de St. George's Gentlemen, was a Footman. Secondly, A Frenchman born in Angiers, of forty Years of Age, and not a young English Gentleman. Thirdly, He attacked his own Master, and was punished according to the Laws of this Country. Fourthly, Cardinal Bentivoglio never complained of any Affront, and never demanded any publick Reparation. Fifthly, The Person insulted was a Presbyter of the Church of England; and no true Son of that Church can be offended at Justice being done to one of that Character in any Place, or by any Person whatsoever. Lastly, This exemplary Piece of Justice is recommended to all Magistrates of Great Britain and Ireland.'

London, Dec. 6. We are credibly informed that his Excell. Horace Walpole, Esq; will be made one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, in room of that L. Viscount Townshend, who hath accepted the Place of President of his Majesty's most honourable Privy Council.

From the Weekly Journal, Decem. 6.

Tho' Peace, or something like it, is said to be concluded, at or before the 10th of last Month, N. S. at Seville; yet our Accounts from thence assure, that Mr. Keene the British Minister, had not been able at that time to obtain the Schedule for the S. S. Company's annual Ship.

The Contents of this Treaty are still kept very secret; nor can we give Credit to some pretended Articles that have lately been published, for several weighty Reasons. We must therefore desire our Readers to excuse us on that head till we can speak from Authority: For Experience teaches, that it is not safe for US to use the Freedom other News-writers do.

Our Advices from several Courts abroad assure us, that the Plan of this Treaty was contrived by the Court of Spain, and agreed to without any Alteration.

By Hamburg we learn, that Peter de la Grave, a Bankier, had received Remittances from London for Five hundred thousand Pound sterl. to be sent to Sweden.

This Day (being the 3d of the Moon) 'tis High Water at Leith at 3 o' Clock, 54 Min. Tomorrow, at 4, 41 Min. On Saturday, at 5, 30 Min.

¶ That there is about an Hundred Bolls of BARLEY MALT, which belonged to the deceased Malcolm Alexander Brewer in Canongate, to be exposed to Sale by way of publick Roup, upon Wednesday next the 17th Inst. 'twixt two and three after Noon, at his Lofts upon the South-side of the Canongate, a little below St. John's cross. The Malt is to be seen at the above Place, any time before the Roup. And for the Encouragement of the Purchaser, Payment will not be demanded till Whitfunday next, he giving Security for the same.

To be Sold,

A Good MILCH ASS and SHE-COLT. Enquire at Alexander Smith's at Leith-mills, or Loch's Coffeehouse Edinburgh.

¶ That the voluntar Roup of the Estates of FODDERANCE and KINNOCHTREE (formerly advertised to have been upon the Tenth Instant) is Adjourned to Monday next the Fifteenth Day of December Instant, betwixt the Hours of 3 & 5 after Noon, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh. The Progress of Writs, Rentals and Conditions of Sale, are to be seen in the Hands of Alexander Christie Writer in Edinburgh, at his Chamber in the 4th Storey of Wilkie's Land, at the Back of the Guard.

¶ Whereas the Trustees for the Creditors of THOMAS VEITCH Surgeon in Edinburgh, have been at considerable Pains to bring his Houses, disposed to them, to a Roup, which has hitherto proved ineffectual, for want of the Advice and Concurrence of the other Creditors who did not attend the General Meeting, when call'd: The Trustees therefore do hereby give notice, That another General Meeting of the whole Creditors is hereby appointed to be, at Muirhead's Coffeehouse, on Monday next the Fifteenth Inst. at Three o' clock after Noon, in order to have the Sale perfected, and they discharged of their Trust: Where 'tis hoped that all concerned will attend by themselves or their Doers.

¶ That by Order of the Trustees for the Creditors of WILLIAM DOUGLAS younger of GLENBERVY, the Roup and Sale of the Lands and Barony of FOODY and FINGASK, is Prorogate to Tuesday the 27th of January, next, in the House of Mrs. Thom Vintner in Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of 3 & 5 in the Afternoon. The Rental, Progress and Conditions of Sale, are to be seen in the Hands of William Forbes Writer to the Signet, at his Chamber in the Parliament Close.

¶ There is just now come Home from Cadix in Spain a Parcel of very fine Seville Oranges and Limons, and from Portugal, true China Oranges, all large fresh and good, also good Spanish Nuts, with all Sorts of Pippens and Baking Apples: All to be Sold at ARCHBALD SHEELS his Shop at the Hand and Orange, the South-side of the Street, a little below the Cross well; or at his Warehouse in Leith, the first Loft above the Weigh-house, in Wholesale or Retail, and that at easier Rates than any where else in Town. At which Shop may be had, Suggars of all Sorts, all manner of Delf and Earthen Ware, and all other Shop Goods, as good and reasonable as any where else.

By ADJOURNMENT,

That the Lands of *Easter-Harburnhead*, of *L. 538, 66, 08* Scots of yearly Rent, with a convenient Dwelling-House two Storeys high, with good and convenient Office-houses, all lately repaired, and some little planted inclosures. The Lands of *Wester-Harburnhead*, *L. 266 13 04*. *Middle-Muir*, *L. 72 13 04*; 16 Bolls Meal. The Lands of *Camilly* and *Camilly-Mill*, *L. 237 00 04*; Eight Bolls Meal: All lying contiguous. The Lands of *Dresselrig* and *Sandigate*, *L. 109* Money, 10 Bolls Meal, 1 Boll Oats; a Pendicle thereof call'd *Backstonford*, *L. 26 06 08* Money, 4 Bolls Meal. The Lands of *Well-heads* of *Williamston*, *L. 191 02 04* Money, 10 Bolls Meal: Extending in all to *L. 1541 60 04* Scots Money; 3 Chalders Meal, and one Boll Oats of yearly Rent; all lying within the Parishes of Mid and West-Calder, and Sheriffdom of Edinburgh; all set to good and sufficient Tenants, at the above Rent, conform to Tacks. To be holden Feu of the Crown, or of the Right Honourable the Lord of Torphichen: ARE to be Rouped and Sold on Friday the Nineteenth of December Inst. in the House of Robert Brown Vintner in Edinburgh, 'twixt the Hours of 3 & 4 after Noon, jointly or separately; as hereto subjoined, in five different Parcels. The Rental, Progress, and Conditions of Roup to be seen in the Hands of JAMES SCOT Writer in Edinburgh, at his House in Byres's Close, or George Dick Writer in Mid-Calder. *Nota*. The Lands are very improvable, being partly Muir and partly Dale-Lands; a Slate Quarey in the Lands of *Easter-Harburnhead*, Moss in several of the Mailings, and a Lime Quarey in *Backstonford*, and lying near to several Coal heughs:

1. *Easter Harburnhead* and *Middlemuir*.
2. *Wester-Harburnhead*.
3. *Camilly* and *Camillymuir*.
4. *Wellheadlands* of *Williamston*.
5. *Dresselrig*, *Sandigate* and *Backstonford*.

Nota. If any Person has a mind to purchase upon reasonable Terms, before the Day of Roup, they may enquire at the said James Scot, or George Dick; at both which Places they may be treated with.

That the Lands of BYERS, lying within the Parish of Bathgate and Sheriffdom of Linlithgow, of about *L. 50* sterl. yearly Rent, and holding Feu of the Crown for Payment of 8 Merks yearly; as also the Lands of GARVIE-SIDE and BROTHERSTON, with a convenient Dwelling-house two Storeys high, Officehouses and Dovecoat, lying in the Parish of West-Calder and Sheriffdom of Edinburgh, of about *L. 50* sterl. yearly Rent, to be holden of the Crown or of a Subject: ARE to be Rouped and Sold upon Monday the 22d of December Inst. in the House of Robert Brown Vintner in Edinburgh, betwixt the Hour of 3 & 4 in the Afternoon, jointly or separately. The Rental, Progress and Conditions of Roup to be seen the Hands of James Scot Writer in Edr. at his House in Byres's Close.

To be Sold by voluntary Roup, on Tuesday the 26th of December Inst. within the Laigh Coffehouse, Edinburgh, 'twixt the Hours of 3 & 5 after Noon, a LODGING or DWELLING-HOUSE, (consisting of Three Fire-

rooms, all well finished, and a good well-lighted Kitchen with a Dining-room wanting a Fire, also well finished; 3 light Closets and other Conveniences) belonging to Robert Maxwell, Founder Burgess of Edinburgh, and presently possessed by himself, lying on the East-side of MONTEITH'S CLOSE, upon the North Side of the High Street, Edinburgh, opposite to the Fountain-well, with a convenient Workhouse and Area, and a good Draw-well therein, lying within the said Close, over-against the said Lodging. The Rental, Conditions of Sale, and Progress, are to be seen in the Hands of ALEXANDER CHRISTIE Writer in Edinburgh, at his Chamber in the 4th Storey of Wilkie's Land, any Time before the said Roup.

That the Roup and Sale of the Lands of GLADSTANES and GREENSHAILS, lying in the Parish of Liberton, and Shire of Lanark, holding Feu of the Laird of Carnwath, paying yearly One thousand Six hundred and sixty eight Pound six Shilling and Eight Penies Scots in Money, one Chalders and an half of Meal, and Half a Chalders of Bear; both large Measure, beside Kains and Carriages not rental'd; with the Deduction of *L. 168* of Feu and Teind Duty from the said Rent: And the Roup and Sale of the Lands of MOUNT, lying in the Parish of Monymail and Shire of Fife, and Teinds of the same; the Lands holding Taxward, at a very low Taxation, and the Teids, Blanche of the Crown; paying of yearly Rent Seven Hundred and thirty three Pound, Six Shillings, Eight Penies in Money, and Eight Bolls of Oats, besides Kains and Carriages not rental'd: ARE Prorogued by the Trustees for the Creditors of Merchiston and Lethem, to this Day the 12th December Inst. and are to be then exposed to Sale, in the House of William Gray Vintner in the Assembly-close, Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of 3 & 5 after Noon. The Rentals, Progresses of Writs, and Conditions of Roup of the said several Lands, are to be seen in the Hands of James Haliburton Writer to the Signet, and Clerk to the said Trustees, at his Chamber in the Luckenbooths.

Nota. The Lands of Mount give a Vote for a Member of Parliament.

That there is to be Sold at Birkhill, at very reasonable Rates, several Sorts of YOUNG TREES in Nurseries, fit for planting out; consisting of Oak, Ash, Plain, Elm, Beech, Hollies, Ewes and Birks. Any who has a mind for the same, may enquire at Birkhill, or at Alexander Aitkens Vintner at Dundee Water Side.

The Wood of ALLOA, consisting of Oak, Ash, Alder or Arns, and some Birch, lying hard by the Harbour of Alloa, from whence the Timber may be easily transported by Water, is to be exposed to Sale by way of publick Auction or Roup, in the Tolbooth of Alloa, on the first Wednesday (which is the Fourth Day) of February 1730. The Articles of Roup and Sale may be seen at any Time, after the first Day of January next; at Edinburgh, in John's Coffehouse; at Stirling, in the Hands of John Watson Writer there; and at Alloa, in the Hands of John Erskine Clerk of Alloa.

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